Thanjavur Co-operative Marketing Federation

*260 Q.—Dr. H. V. HANDE: Will the Hon. the Minister for Co-operation be pleased to state—

(a) whether the accounts of the Thanjavur Co-operative Marketing Federation for the years 1967–68, 1968–69 and 1969–70 have been audited; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

மாண்புமிகு திரு. சி. பா. ஆதித்தனார்: தலைவர் அவர்களே, 1967-ல் நட்டம் ரூ. 9,76,937, 1968-ல் நட்டம் 30,40,253 ரூபாய். 1969–70-ல் (30—9—70 வரை) ஏறத்தாழ ஒன்றரை ஆண்டில் நட்டம் 61,64,021 ரூபாய்.

திரு. ஏ. சுப்பிரமணியம்: இந்தத் தணிக்கையில் ஏதேனும் ஒழுங்கீனங்கள் கண்டுபிடிக்கப்பட்டிருக்கின்றனவா? நடவடிக்கை எடுக்கப்பட்டிருக்கிறதா?

மாண்புமிகு திரு. சி. பா. ஆதித்தனார்: ஒழுங்கீனங்கள் சில கண்டுபிடிக்கப்பட்டு நடவடிக்கைகள் எடுக்கப்பட்டிருக்கின்றன. நிர்வாகக் குழு கலைக்கப்பட்டு தனி அதிகாரி போடப்பட்டு நடந்து வருகிறது.

Dr. H. V. HANDE: May I know whether it was not a fact that value of stocks of paddy and rice as verified on 30th, was Rs. 228.84 lakhs while the actual stocks should have been Rs. 386.01 lakhs. More than Rs. 1 crore was found missing. If so, may I know whether the amount was recovered and whether suitable action had been taken and deterrent punishment given against erring persons who were connected with this fraud?

The Hon. Thiru Si. Pa. ADITANAR: These losses were incurred mostly in procurement operations which were entrusted to this Co-operative Federation. It is true there was a deficit even in the stock. But the Federation's explanation was it was due to drying and other causes. But it has been investigated and both civil and criminal action is being taken.

Dr. H. V. HANDE: The Hon. Minister said in his answer that explanations have been given. May I know whether the Government have accepted the explanation completely or have they cast them totally aside and whether action has been taken? Why there was so much delay in spite of the fact that the attention of